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## I. INTRODUCTION

The Gumbel distribution (extreme value type I for maximum values) [5; Chap. 3.5], [6; Chap. 21.4] is defined by its probability density function (PDF)

$$f(x;\lambda,b) = b^{-1} \exp - (e^{-\xi} + \xi), \quad \xi = (x-\lambda)b^{-1}, \quad x \in R, \quad (1.1)$$

or by its cumulative distribution function (CDF)

$$F(x;\lambda,b) = \exp - e^{-\xi}, \quad (1.2)$$

with parameters shift  $\lambda \in R$ , and scale  $b > 0$ . It is of considerable importance in various statistical data interpretation problems. Its CDF (1.2) forms the basis of a simple, highly popular, but not very reliable, linear regression procedure for the estimation of the parameters  $\lambda$  and  $b$ . With  $u = \log(-\log F)$  it leads to the linear function

$$u = -b^{-1}x + \lambda b^{-1}.$$

Therefore, if a set of data  $\{x_\nu, F_\nu\}$  is Gumbel distributed, the points  $(x_\nu, u_\nu = \log(-\log F_\nu))$  are located on a straight line in the  $(x,u)$ -plane. In other words, if for a given data set  $\{x_\nu, F_\nu\}$ , the points  $(x_\nu, u_\nu)$  seem to be located on a straight line, the unknown parameters of the Gumbel PDF (1.1) can be determined by means of a least-squares algorithm [5; Chap. 8.1].

A more reliable parameter estimation approach can be based on the maximum-likelihood (ML) principle [14; Chap. 12.5], [8; Chap. 5.4] which leads to a simple algorithm relative to the Gumbel PDF (1.1). It is suggested, however, to apply the ML principle to a more general PDF class, namely

$$f(x;\lambda,\beta,b) = \frac{\exp(\beta \log \beta)}{b \Gamma(\beta)} \exp - \beta (e^{-\xi} + \xi), \quad \xi = (x-\lambda)b^{-1}, \quad x \in R. \quad (*)$$

It depends on the parameters shift  $\lambda \in R$ , shape  $\beta > 0$ , and scale  $b > 0$ . Introduction of the shape parameter  $\beta$  makes the PDF class (\*) much more flexible than the original Gumbel class (1.1) which is contained in (\*) as a special case for shape  $\beta = 1$ .

The CDF of (\*) is given by

$$F(x;\lambda,\beta,b) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t;\lambda,\beta,b) dt = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \Gamma(\beta, \beta \exp - \xi),$$

where  $\Gamma(\alpha,z)$  is the incomplete Gamma function with lower integration limit  $z$  [3; 8.350.2]. Of course, this CDF leads to the linear relationship explained above only if  $\beta = 1$ , i.e., in general, a simple geometric parameter estimation technique is no longer

available. It may be of interest to note, however, that it is possible to show that  $\log(1 - \Gamma(b\xi - \lambda))$  is asymptotically linear in  $\xi$  as  $\xi \uparrow \infty$ . This can be seen by expressing the incomplete Gamma function in terms of the degenerate hypergeometric function [3: 8.351.2].

It is the objective of this report to show that parameter estimation for the three-parameter generalized Gumbel class (\*) via the ML principle can be accomplished by means of a reliable algorithm which is more efficient than those currently available for the classical Gumbel class (1.1).

Questions of hypothesis justification and goodness of fit are outside the framework of this report and, thus, are not addressed here.

## II. DIFFUSION CHARACTER OF THE GENERALIZED GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION

It is well known [9], [10], that the function

$$g(x,t) = \frac{\sigma}{c\Gamma((1-p)\sigma^{-1})} \xi^{-p} \exp -\xi^\sigma, \quad \xi = xc^{-1}, \quad (\text{II.1})$$

$x > 0, t > 0, \sigma > 0, p < 1$ , with

$$c = c(t) = \begin{cases} [\alpha\sigma^2 t]^{1/\sigma}, & \tau = 0, \\ [\alpha\sigma\tau^{-1}(1 - \exp - \sigma\tau t)]^{1/\sigma}, & \tau \neq 0, \end{cases} \quad (\text{II.2})$$

is the delta function initial condition (at  $x = 0, t = 0$ ) solution of the autonomous Fokker-Planck equation

$$\left[ A(x) z(x,t) \right]_{xx} - \left[ D(x) z(x,t) \right]_x - z_t(x,t) = 0, \quad x > 0, t > 0, \\ \left. \begin{aligned} A(x) &= \alpha x^{2-\sigma}, \quad \alpha > 0 && \text{(diffusion coefficient),} \\ D(x) &= \alpha(2-\sigma-p)x^{1-\sigma} - \tau x && \text{(drift coefficient).} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{II.3})$$

With  $t = t_0 > 0$  in (II.2) considered as a parameter, the function (II.1) becomes the hypergamma PDF with parameters  $c = c(t_0) > 0, p < 1, \sigma > 0$  [10], [11].

The transformation  $x = \exp - \gamma^{-1}y$  [5; (5.6)] generates from (II.1) the function

$$f(y,t) = g(\exp - \gamma^{-1}y, t) |dx/dy|$$

which, after  $y$  has been replaced by  $x$ , is of the form

$$f(x,t) = \frac{1}{b\Gamma(\beta)c^{\sigma\beta}} \exp - (c^{-\sigma} e^{-\xi} + \beta\xi), \quad \xi = xb^{-1}, \quad (\text{II.4})$$

$b = \sigma^{-1}\gamma, \beta = (1-p)\sigma^{-1}$ , and  $c = c(t)$  given in (II.2). For any fixed  $t = t_0 > 0$  and with  $c(t_0) = \beta^{-1/\sigma}$ , this function becomes identical with (1.4) (for  $\lambda = 0$ ).

The transformation  $x = \exp - \sigma^{-1}y$  applied to the differential equation (II.3) leads (after  $y$  has again been replaced by  $x$ ) to the autonomous Fokker-Planck equation

$$\left. \begin{aligned} & \left[ A^*(x) w(x,t) \right]_{xx} - \left[ D^*(x) w(x,t) \right]_x - w_t(x,t) = 0, \\ & A^*(x) = \alpha\sigma^2 b^2 \exp b^{-1}x, \\ & D^*(x) = \alpha\sigma^2 b(1-\beta) \exp b^{-1}x + \sigma\tau b \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (II.5)$$

of which the function (II.4) is a solution. By means of different parameter designations the function (II.4) can also be transformed so that it becomes a nonlinear similarity solution of (II.5) [12: Secs. 2,3].

The particular case  $1 - p = \sigma$  reduces the PDF (II.1) to the Weibull PDF [11], and (II.4) becomes the Gumbel PDF with  $\beta = 1$ .

### III. DATA SETS

It will be assumed that the given statistical data are of the general form of a set of ordered pairs  $(x_\nu, f_{\nu})$  ( $\nu=1, \dots, M$ ) with  $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_M$ , and  $M \leq N = \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu$ .  $f_\nu$  being the absolute (integer valued) frequency of the observation  $x_\nu$ . In standard statistical terminology data given in this particular form are called histogram data.

It will furthermore be assumed that, for histogram estimation, the  $x_\nu$ 's are the midpoints of class intervals  $[a + (\nu-1)\Delta a, a + \nu\Delta a]$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\Delta a > 0$ , i.e.,  $x_\nu = a + (\nu-1/2)\Delta a$ , and that  $f_{\nu} \geq 0$ ,  $f_{\nu 1} \geq 1$ ,  $f_{\nu M} \geq 1$ . Other estimation problems, such as population estimation and different approaches will be presented elsewhere.

#### IV. THE LOGARITHMIC LIKELIHOOD FUNCTION

For the generalized Gumbel PDF (\*) with parameter vector  $P = (\lambda, \beta, b)$  and with the abbreviation

$$\rho_\nu(\lambda) = x_\nu - \lambda$$

the likelihood function takes the particular form

$$L(P) = \beta^N b^{-N} \Gamma^{-N}(\beta) \exp -\beta \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_{\alpha\nu} \exp -b^{-1} \rho_\nu + \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_{\alpha\nu} b^{-1} \rho_\nu \right].$$

The function

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(P) &= N^{-1} \log L(P) \\ &= \beta \log \beta - \log b - \log \Gamma(\beta) - \beta \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu \left( b^{-1} \rho_\nu + \exp -b^{-1} \rho_\nu \right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV.1})$$

where  $f_\nu = N^{-1} f_{\alpha\nu}$  denotes the relative frequencies of the  $x_\nu$ 's with  $\sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu = 1$ , is the logarithmic likelihood function (LLF) of the generalized Gumbel distribution class (\*).

The ML principle asserts that the optimal parameter values (if they exist) relative to the given data are the coordinates of the point  $\hat{P} = (\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta}, \hat{b})$  in the open parameter space  $\mathcal{P}: \{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \beta > 0, b > 0\}$  at which the LLF  $\phi(P)$  takes its global maximum.

## V. MAXIMUM-LIKELIHOOD ESTIMATION

In this report ML estimation of the parameters of the PDF class (\*) will be done by means of the derivative equations which result from equating to zero the first partial derivatives of the LLF  $\Phi(P)$  given in (IV.1). They are of the form

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \lambda} = \beta b^{-1} \left[ 1 - \sum_{v=1}^M r_v \exp - b^{-1} p_v \right] = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \beta} = \log \beta + 1 - \psi(\beta) - \sum_{v=1}^M r_v \left( b^{-1} p_v + \exp - b^{-1} p_v \right) = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial b} = - b^{-1} + \beta b^{-2} \sum_{v=1}^M r_v p_v \left( 1 - \exp - b^{-1} p_v \right) = 0 ,$$

where  $\psi(x) = d \log \Gamma(x)/dx$  is the psi function [3; 8.362]. Their appearance can be simplified by introduction of the functions

$$A(\lambda, b) = \sum_{v=1}^M r_v \exp - b^{-1} p_v > 0 ,$$

$$B(\lambda, b) = \sum_{v=1}^M r_v x_v \exp - b^{-1} p_v > 0 .$$

Then, with the mean

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{v=1}^M r_v x_v = \text{const.} , \quad 0 < \bar{x} < x_M ,$$

they take the form

$$1 - A = 0 ,$$

$$\log \beta + 1 - \psi(\beta) - b^{-1} (\bar{x} - \lambda) - A = 0 ,$$

$$-b + \beta (\bar{x} - \lambda - B + \lambda A) = 0 . \quad (\text{V.1})$$

By means of the first one,  $A$  can be eliminated from the other two so that only the equations

$$\begin{aligned} r(\beta) - b^{-1}(\bar{x} - \lambda) &= 0, \\ -b + \beta(\bar{x} - B) &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{V.2})$$

remain. The function

$$r(\beta) = \log \beta - \psi(\beta)$$

which appears here is positive for  $\beta > 0$  and is strictly convex and decreasing,  $r(\beta) \uparrow \infty$  as  $\beta \downarrow 0$ ,  $r(\beta) \downarrow 0$  as  $\beta \uparrow \infty$ , as can be verified by means of the Laplace integral representation for  $r(\beta)$  [3; 8.361.8]. The first one of these equations allows one to express  $b$  in terms of  $\beta$  and  $\lambda$ ,

$$b = b(\lambda, \beta) = (\bar{x} - \lambda)/r(\beta) > 0. \quad (\text{V.3})$$

Thus,  $b$  can be eliminated from equations (V.1) and (V.2). Setting

$$A(\lambda, b) = A(\lambda, b(\lambda, \beta)) = Q(\lambda, \beta) = \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu T_\nu(\lambda, \beta) > 0, \quad (\text{V.4})$$

$$B(\lambda, b) = B(\lambda, b(\lambda, \beta)) = R(\lambda, \beta) = \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu T_\nu(\lambda, \beta) > 0, \quad (\text{V.5})$$

with

$$T_\nu(\lambda, \beta) = \exp - \left[ p_\nu (\bar{x} - \lambda)^{-1} r(\beta) \right] \quad (\nu=1, \dots, M)$$

one obtains

$$g(\lambda, \beta) = [\bar{x} - R(\lambda, \beta)] \beta r(\beta) - (\bar{x} - \lambda) = 0 \quad (\text{V.6})$$

$$h(\lambda, \beta) = 1 - Q(\lambda, \beta) = 0. \quad (\text{V.7})$$

If  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$  is a solution of this system of equations, then  $\hat{b}$  follows from (V.3) for  $\lambda = \hat{\lambda}$ ,  $\beta = \hat{\beta}$ . The objective, therefore, is to develop an efficient numerical algorithm for the solution of equations (V.6) and (V.7). Properties of the functions  $g(\lambda, \beta)$  and  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  which are essential for this purpose will be investigated in Section VI.

Two observations relative to the shift parameter  $\lambda$  are of importance. Relation (V.3) requires that  $\lambda < \bar{x}$  for the scale parameter to be positive. Furthermore, if  $\lambda \leq x_1 = \min(x_\nu)$ , then  $(x_\nu - \lambda)(\bar{x} - \lambda)^{-1} > 0$  for  $\nu \geq 2$  so that  $Q(\lambda, \beta) < 1$  which contradicts (V.7). Consequently, in (V.6) and (V.7),  $\lambda$  is restricted to the interval  $x_1 < \lambda < \bar{x}$ . It should also be observed that the positive function  $\beta r(\beta)$  which appears in (V.6) is less than unity for  $\beta > 0$ . This follows from the integral representation for  $r(\beta)$  mentioned earlier.

The special case that the shape parameter  $\beta$  is assumed to be unity will be discussed next. In this situation, the LLF (IV.1) reduces to

$$\Phi(\lambda, b) = -\log b - \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu \left( b^{-1} p_\nu + \exp - b^{-1} p_\nu \right).$$

The derivative equations now lead to

$$1 - A = 0,$$

$$-b - B + \bar{x} = 0,$$

with  $A$  and  $B$ , functions of  $x$  and  $b$ , defined as before. The first equation can be solved for  $\lambda$ ,

$$\lambda = -b \log \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu \exp - b^{-1} x_\nu. \quad (\text{V.8})$$

and  $\lambda$  can be eliminated from  $B$  so that

$$B = \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu \exp - b^{-1} x_\nu \right]^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu x_\nu \exp - b^{-1} x_\nu.$$

Therefore, the second equation becomes an equation in just one unknown,

$$g(b) = \bar{x} - b - \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu \exp - b^{-1} x_\nu \right]^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu x_\nu \exp - b^{-1} x_\nu = 0. \quad (\text{V.9})$$

It is easily seen that  $g'(b)$  is negative for  $b > 0$  and that  $g(b) \uparrow \bar{x} - x_1 > 0$  as  $b \downarrow 0$ , and  $g(b) \downarrow -\infty$  as  $b \uparrow \infty$ . It should also be observed that (V.9) implies that  $\hat{b} < \bar{x}$  if  $g(\hat{b}) = 0$ .

By the property of the function  $g(b)$  just discussed, equation (V.9) has exactly one positive root  $\hat{b}$ . It immediately gives the corresponding value  $\hat{\lambda}$  for the shift parameter from (V.8) for  $b = \hat{b}$ . ML estimation for the two-parameter Gumbel distribution is, therefore, easily accomplished by the solution of the single equation (V.9).

## VI. PROPERTIES OF $g(\lambda, \beta)$ AND $h(\lambda, \beta)$

This section contains a description of properties of the functions  $g(\lambda, \beta)$  and  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  which are essential for the design of an efficient solution algorithm for the system of equations (V.6) and (V.7). The function  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  will be considered first.

By means of the substitution

$$y = \exp - (\bar{x} - \lambda)^{-1} r(\beta), \quad (\text{VI.1})$$

which takes the functions  $T_\nu(\lambda, \beta)$  appearing in (V.4) and (V.5) into

$$T_\nu(\lambda, \beta) = y^{x_\nu - \lambda},$$

equation (V.7) changes into

$$h(\lambda, \beta) = 1 - y^{-\lambda} \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu y^{x_\nu} = 0. \quad (\text{VI.2})$$

It is equivalent to the equation

$$f(y) = y^{\lambda - x_1} - \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu y^{x_\nu - x_1} = u(y) - v(y) = 0.$$

For fixed  $\lambda$  in the interval  $(x_1, \bar{x})$ ,  $y = y(\beta)$  becomes a one-to-one mapping of  $(0, \infty)$  into  $(0, 1)$ . Clearly,  $f(y) \rightarrow 0$  as  $y \uparrow 1$  (i.e., as  $\beta \uparrow \infty$ ). Furthermore,

$$u'(1) = \lambda - x_1 > 0,$$

$$v'(1) = \sum_{\nu=2}^M f_\nu (x_\nu - x_1) = \bar{x} - x_1 > 0.$$

Since  $\bar{x} - x_1 > \lambda - x_1 > 0$ , it follows that  $v'(1) > u'(1) > 0$ . This implies that  $0 < v(y) < u(y)$  for  $y < 1$ ,  $y$  sufficiently close to 1. Consequently  $f(y) > 0$  for  $y < 1$ ,  $y$  sufficiently close to 1, and, hence,  $h(\lambda, \beta) > 0$  for  $\beta$  sufficiently large. Furthermore,  $h(\lambda, \beta) \downarrow 0$  as  $\beta \uparrow \infty$ .

Next,  $u(y) \downarrow 0$ ,  $v(y) \downarrow f_1$ , as  $y \downarrow 0$ . Therefore,  $f(y) \rightarrow -f_1$  as  $y \downarrow 0$ , and hence,  $h(\lambda, \beta) \downarrow -\infty$  as  $\beta \downarrow 0$ . Consequently, for every fixed  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ , the function  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  has an odd number of positive zeros.

It can now be shown that, for every fixed  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ , equation (V.7) has exactly one positive simple root  $\beta$ . The derivative of  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  with respect to  $\beta$  is of the form

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial \beta} = - \frac{r'}{x - \lambda} (\lambda Q - R) = - \frac{r'}{x - \lambda} q(\beta), \quad (\text{VI.3})$$

$R$  and  $Q$  defined in (V.4) and (V.5), respectively. The factor  $-(\bar{x} - \lambda)^{-1} r'$  is positive for every  $\beta > 0$ . Suppose the second factor

$$q'(\beta) = - \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu T_\nu (x_\nu - \lambda)$$

has two distinct positive zeros,  $0 < \beta_1 < \beta_2$ . By Rolle's Theorem,  $q'(\beta)$  must have a zero in the interval  $(\beta_1, \beta_2)$ . But

$$q'(\beta) = -r' \sum_{\nu=1}^M f_\nu T_\nu \frac{(x_\nu - \lambda)^2}{\bar{x} - \lambda} > 0$$

for every  $\beta > 0$ . Therefore,  $q(\beta)$  has at most one positive zero. By properties of  $h$  discussed earlier,  $\partial h / \partial \beta$  has at least one positive zero. Therefore, the function  $q(\beta)$ , which is equivalent to  $\partial h / \partial \beta$ , has exactly one positive zero, say,  $\beta_0$ . Since  $h$  has an odd number of positive zeros and since  $h(\lambda, \beta) < 0$  for small values of  $\beta > 0$  and  $h(\lambda, \beta) > 0$  for large values of  $\beta$ , it follows that  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  has exactly one positive zero, say,  $\beta_h(\lambda)$ , such that  $0 < \beta_h(\lambda) < \beta_0$ . The zero  $\beta_h$  is simple since  $q(\beta_h) \neq 0$ . For, if  $q(\beta_h) = 0$ ,  $q(\beta)$  would have two distinct zeros.

It is now possible to show that the positive function  $\beta_h(\lambda)$ , the unique zero of  $h(\lambda, \beta)$  for given  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ , implicitly defined by equation (V.7), is strictly monotonically increasing in the interval  $(x_1, \bar{x})$ . Let  $\hat{\lambda}$  and  $\hat{\beta} = \beta_h(\hat{\lambda})$  be such that  $h(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta}) = 0$ . By the implicit function theorem there exists a function  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  such that  $h(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) = 0$  on some interval  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  which contains  $\hat{\lambda}$ . Since  $q(\beta_h(\lambda))$  ( $q(\beta)$  having been defined in (VI.3)) is different from zero, in fact

$$q(\beta_h(\lambda)) = \lambda Q(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) = \lambda - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) > 0 \quad (\text{VI.4})$$

for every  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ , the function  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  can be continued from  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  as a differentiable function to the entire interval  $(x_1, \bar{x})$ .

Its derivative is defined by the identity

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} h(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) = \frac{r(\beta_h(\lambda))}{(\bar{x}-\lambda)^2} [\bar{x} - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda))] + \frac{r'(\beta_h(\lambda))}{\bar{x}-\lambda} [\lambda - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda))] \frac{d\beta_h(\lambda)}{d\lambda} = 0. \quad (\text{VI.5})$$

Since  $\sum_{p=1}^M f_p T_p(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) \equiv 1$ , it follows from Tchebychef's inequality that  $\bar{x} - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) > 0$  for every  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ . Furthermore, by (VI.4),  $\lambda - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda)) > 0$ . Therefore, (VI.5) implies that  $d\beta_h(\lambda)/d\lambda > 0$  for  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ . That is to say,  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  is strictly monotonically increasing in the interval  $(x_1, \bar{x})$ .

The following facts concerning the function  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  should finally be observed. By (VI.5), its derivative is given by

$$\frac{d\beta_h(\lambda)}{d\lambda} = \frac{r(\beta_h(\lambda)) [\bar{x} - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda))]}{-r'(\beta_h(\lambda)) (\bar{x}-\lambda) [\lambda - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda))]} . \quad (\text{VI.6})$$

The positive function  $[\bar{x} - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda))] [\lambda - R(\lambda, \beta_h(\lambda))]^{-1} \downarrow 1$  as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ . The positive function  $r(\beta_h(\lambda)) [-r'(\beta_h(\lambda))]^{-1}$  can be expressed in the form

$$\frac{r(x)}{-r'(x)} = \frac{x r(x)}{x \psi'(x) - 1} . \quad (\text{VI.7})$$

Since  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  is positive and strictly monotonically increasing, the argument  $x = \beta_h(\lambda)$  in (VI.7) cannot go to zero as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ . Furthermore, for  $x > 0$ , the numerator  $x r(x)$  in (VI.7) is bounded above by unity, and  $x r(x) \downarrow 1/2$  as  $x \downarrow \infty$ . This limit relation can be established by means of the Laplace integral representation of  $r(x)$  mentioned before and by application of Theorem 14.1.3 in [2]. The denominator function in (VI.7) is positive for  $x > 0$ , and  $x \psi'(x) \downarrow 0$  as  $x \uparrow \infty$ . This limit relation can be verified by use of an integral representation of  $\psi'(x)$  [15; Chap. 12.32]. Consequently, as (VI.6) shows,  $\beta'_h(\lambda) \uparrow \infty$  as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ , i.e.,  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  has a singularity at  $\lambda = \bar{x}$ .

Now suppose  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  would approach a finite limit as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ . Then, as (VI.1) shows,  $y \downarrow 0$  as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ , i.e., the second term in (VI.2) will not remain finite as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ . This establishes a contradiction to the identity (VI.2) with  $\beta = \beta_h(\lambda)$  and  $\lambda$  sufficiently close to  $\bar{x}$ . Therefore,  $\beta_h(\lambda) \uparrow \infty$  as  $\lambda \uparrow \bar{x}$ . For this reason, numerical solution of equation (V.7) may fail for  $\lambda$  close to  $\bar{x}$ .

Equation (V.6) will now be considered. The transformation (VI.1) changes it into

$$g(\lambda, \beta) = - \left[ \bar{x} - y^{-\lambda} \sum_{\nu=1}^M r_\nu x_\nu y^{x_\nu} \right] \beta(y) \log y - 1 = 0.$$

An equivalent equation is

$$\left[ \bar{x} y^{\lambda-x_1} - \sum_{\nu=1}^M r_\nu x_\nu y^{x_\nu-x_1} \right] \beta(y) \log y + y^{\lambda-x_1} = 0 \quad (\text{VI.8})$$

in which  $\lambda$  is considered fixed in the interval  $(x, \bar{x})$ . The function  $\beta(y)$  cannot be explicitly expressed in terms of  $y$ . However, it is only necessary to know that

$$\beta(y) \log y = - \left( \frac{-}{x-\lambda} \right)^{-1} \beta r(\beta) \rightarrow \begin{cases} - \left( \frac{-}{x-\lambda} \right)^{-1} & \text{as } \beta \downarrow 0, \text{ i.e., as } y \downarrow 0, \\ - \left[ 2 \left( \frac{-}{x-\lambda} \right) \right]^{-1} & \text{as } \beta \uparrow \infty, \text{ i.e., as } y \uparrow 1. \end{cases}$$

The second limit relation has essentially been established already in connection with (VI.7). The first one follows from the fact that  $xr(x) \uparrow 1$  as  $x \downarrow 0$  [3; 8.362.2].

It can now be seen that the left-hand side of (VI.8) approaches positive values as  $y \downarrow 0$  and as  $y \uparrow 1$ . This implies that, for fixed  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$ , the equation  $g(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  has an even number of positive roots. There may exist values of  $\lambda \in (x_1, \bar{x})$  for which  $g(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  has no positive roots at all. As a matter of fact, a more careful investigation of equation (VI.8) reveals that there may exist numbers  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ ,  $x_1 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \bar{x}$ , such that  $g(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  has no real roots for  $\lambda \in (\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ .

## VII. THE PARAMETER ESTIMATION ALGORITHM

Estimation of the parameters of the generalized Gumbel distribution class (\*), Section I, for a given set of histogram data  $\{(x_v, f_v)\} (v=1, \dots, M)$ ,  $x_v = a + (v - 1/2)\Delta a$ , is based on the solution of the derivative equations (Section V) of the associated LLF (IV.1). The algorithm presented in this report covers the three-parameter unknown case as well as the two-parameter unknown case in which the shape parameter  $\beta$  is assumed to be equal to unity.

In the three-parameter case the equations  $g(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  (V.6), and  $h(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  (V.7) must be solved. Their solution  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$  determines the scale parameter  $\hat{b}$  by (V.3). In the two-parameter case the single equation  $g(b) = 0$  (V.9) must be solved. Its solution  $\hat{b}$  determines the shift parameter  $\hat{\lambda}$  by (V.8).

### 1. The Three-Parameter Case

Suppose that  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$  is a solution of the system of equations (V.6) and (V.7) with  $\hat{\lambda} \in (x_1, \bar{x})$  and  $\hat{\beta} = \beta_h(\hat{\lambda}) > 0$ , and that the graphs of the functions implicitly defined by  $g = 0$  and  $h = 0$  have a proper intersection at  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$ . Then there are numbers  $\lambda_L$  and  $\lambda_R$ ,  $x_1 < \lambda_L < \hat{\lambda} < \lambda_R < \bar{x}$ , and numbers  $\beta_L = \beta_h(\lambda_L)$  and  $\beta_R = \beta_h(\lambda_R)$ ,  $0 < \beta_L < \beta_R$ , such that  $h(\lambda_L, \beta_L) = 0$ ,  $h(\lambda_R, \beta_R) = 0$  and  $g(\lambda_L, \beta_L) g(\lambda_R, \beta_R) < 0$ . Since  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  is strictly monotonically increasing (Section VI), the solution point  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$  of the equations (V.6) and (V.7) is boxed in the interior of the rectangle in the first quadrant of the  $(\lambda, \beta)$  plane defined by the points  $(\lambda_L, \beta_L)$ ,  $(\lambda_L, \beta_R)$ ,  $(\lambda_R, \beta_L)$ ,  $(\lambda_R, \beta_R)$ .

Boxing of the solution point  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$  requires the solution of the equation  $h(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  only and evaluation of the sign of the function  $g(\lambda, \beta)$ .

The root  $\beta_L(\lambda)$  of  $h(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  is first bracketed by sign change detection along the search sequence  $\beta_v = 10^{-1} (1.618)^v (v=0, 1, 2, \dots, 19)$ . Brent's method [13; Chap. 7.3] is then used to calculate the root. In the numerical algorithm it is actually not the equation  $h = 0$  which is solved but the equivalent equation  $f = 0$  given in Sec. VI. The range of  $f$  is bounded for  $\beta \in (0, \infty)$  whereas the range of  $h$  is not bounded below near  $\beta = 0$ . The use of  $f$  instead of  $h$  eliminates possible overflow problems for small values of  $\beta$ . The parameter estimation algorithm is aborted if no root  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  is found in the interval  $(10^{-1}, \beta_{19})$ . Shape parameter values outside this interval would lead to nearly pathological densities.

To obtain  $\lambda$  values for boxing the solution of equations (V.6) and (V.7), the  $\beta$  roots of  $h(\lambda, \beta) = 0$  are calculated along a sequence  $\{\lambda^{(0)}, \lambda^{(0)}_R, \lambda^{(0)}_L, \lambda^{(1)}_R, \lambda^{(1)}_L, \dots\}$  of  $\lambda$  values with  $\lambda^{(0)} = \bar{x} - \Delta a/2$  and

$$\lambda_R^{(\nu)} = \lambda^{(0)} + 2^{\nu-1} \Delta a \left( 2^\nu + 99 \right)^{-1}$$

$$\lambda_L^{(\nu)} = \lambda^{(0)} - 2^\nu \left( \lambda^{(0)} - x_1 \right) \left( 2^\nu + 99 \right)^{-1} (\nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 30).$$

The first of these subsequences converges up to  $\bar{x}$ , the second down to  $x_1$  as  $\nu \uparrow \infty$ . Let  $\beta^{(0)}$ ,  $\beta^{(\nu)}_R$ ,  $\beta^{(\nu)}_L$ , be the corresponding roots of  $h = 0$ .

The sign of  $g(\lambda, \beta)$  is evaluated at the points  $(\lambda^{(0)}, \beta^{(0)})$ ,  $(\lambda^{(\nu)}_R, \beta^{(\nu)}_R)$ , and  $(\lambda^{(\nu)}_L, \beta^{(\nu)}_L)$ . The process is terminated if at two successive points, either in the  $\{\lambda^{(\nu)}_R\}$  or in the  $\{\lambda^{(\nu)}_L\}$  subsequence, the product of the  $g$  functions is negative, i.e., if boxing of  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\beta})$  has been achieved.

The boxing rectangle is subsequently refined by bisection of the  $\lambda$  interval until the accuracy requirement  $(\Delta\lambda < 10^{-7}) \cap (\Delta\beta < 10^{-7})$  is satisfied. Monotonicity of the function  $\beta_h(\lambda)$  is not exploited in the actual numerical algorithm because of the interplay between the one-dimensional Brent's method and the two-dimensional boxing process.

## 2. The Two-Parameter Case

The root  $\hat{\beta}$  of equation (V.9),  $g(b) = 0$ , is first bracketed by evaluation of  $g(b_\nu)$  along the search sequence  $b_\nu = 10^{-1} (1.618)^\nu$  ( $\nu=0, 1, 2, \dots, 19$ ). The reason for the restriction of  $b$  to this interval is analogous to that given earlier for  $\beta$ .

Remark. For computational convenience the transformation  $x_\nu \rightarrow x_\nu - x_1$  is applied before the start of the actual computations. It affects only the shift parameter. The algorithm calculates the relative shift value  $\hat{\lambda}_0$  and returns the true shift value  $\hat{\lambda} = \hat{\lambda}_0 + x_1$ .

## VIII. EXAMPLES

To demonstrate the algorithm a number of examples are presented. Accompanying tables are given in Section IX.

### Example 1

$N = 87$  observations of annual 24-hour maximum rainfalls (in points) at Sidney, Australia, over the period 1859-1945 are given in Table 1.1 [7]. Grouping into histogram absolute frequency data has been performed on the data of Table 1.1 in five different ways,  $G_v$ , as displayed in the second columns of Tables 1.3G<sub>v</sub> ( $v=1, \dots, 5$ ). The first column shows the class interval numbers  $v$ . The class interval data are given in Table 1.2.

Parameter estimation has been performed with three and with two ( $\beta=1$ ) parameters. The results are shown in Tables 1.4G<sub>v</sub> ( $v = 1, \dots, 5$ ).

The estimated parameter values are used to calculate the expected absolute frequencies from the PDF (\*). For the three-parameter estimates they are given in the third columns of Tables 1.3G<sub>v</sub>, and for the two-parameter estimates in the fifth columns. Next to the calculated frequencies in Tables 1.3G<sub>v</sub> are shown the chi-square values. As mentioned in the Introduction, no significance will be attached to them within the framework of this report.

### Example 2

A total of  $N = 89$  observations of frequencies of annual maxima of rainfall (in inch) in 24 hours at Camden Square, London, over the period 1860-1948 [1; Chap. 8.7] have been grouped into  $M = 12$  class intervals  $[a + (v-1)\Delta a, a + v\Delta a]$  with  $a = 1/2$ ,  $\Delta a = 1/4$ . The data are given in Table 2.1. The results of the three-parameter and two-parameter estimates are shown in Table 2.2. The calculated expected frequencies together with the corresponding chi-square values are displayed in Table 2.1.

### Example 3

This example concerns the distribution of the greatest ages of men [4; Sec. 1, Table 1, 2nd ed.]. A total of  $N = 52$  observations have been grouped into  $M = 9$  class intervals  $[a + (v-1)\Delta a, a + v\Delta a]$  with  $a = 95.5$  and  $\Delta a = 1$ . Table 3.1 shows the given data. Calculated results are shown in Table 3.2 (parameters) and in Table 3.1 (frequencies and chi-square values).

### Example 4

The last example deals with the ensemble distribution of the greatest ages of men and women [4; Sec. 1, Table 1, 4th col.]. The total number of observations is  $N = 104$  corresponding to  $M = 11$  class intervals  $[a + (v-1)\Delta a, a + v\Delta a]$ ,  $a = 95.5$ ,  $\Delta a = 1$ . Table 4.1 shows the given data. The results are presented in Tables 4.2 and 4.1.

**IX. TABLES**

Table 1.1 Annual Maximum Twenty-Four Hour Rainfalls (in Points) at Sidney,  
Australia, 1859-1945.

320	752	662	190	375	395	355	301
565	618	445	403	324	280	890	342
189	281	489	253	569	204	425	646
433	645	486	468	283	275	636	166
295	434	330	310	236	487	273	606
301	423	441	637	157	477	364	363
362	571	177	475	248	441	682	332
320	342	316	653	488	414	418	374
260	188	484	459	489	239	391	302
180	322	380	335	263	216	339	275
230	333	154	1105	136	192	420	

Table 1.2 Class Intervals and Number of Classes for Groupings  $G_v$  ( $v=1, \dots, 5$ )

	$G_1$	$G_2$	$G_3$	$G_4$	$G_5$
a	150	125	150	100	125
$\Delta a$	100	100	50	75	75
M	10	10	20	14	14

Table 1.3  $G_1$  Grouped Frequency Data for Grouping  $G_1$

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is LNGDSET1.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	11	10.41	.03	9.56	.22
2	23	25.08	.17	22.20	.03
3	23	20.91	.21	22.35	.02
4	10	13.10	.73	15.15	1.75
5	10	7.60	.76	8.51	.26
6	4	4.32	.02	4.37	.03
7	4	2.44	1.00	2.15	1.58
8	1	1.38	.10	1.04	.00
9	0	.78	.78	.50	.50
10	1	.44	.72	.24	2.46
Totals	87	86.43		86.08	

Table 1.3G<sub>2</sub> Grouped Frequency Data for Grouping G<sub>2</sub>

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is LNGDSET2.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	8	6.79	.22	6.79	.22
2	18	20.64	.34	19.70	.15
3	25	22.61	.25	22.74	.23
4	16	16.10	.00	16.78	.04
5	7	9.56	.68	9.97	.89
6	7	5.25	.58	5.34	.52
7	3	2.79	.02	2.71	.03
8	2	1.47	.19	1.35	.32
9	0	.77	.77	.66	.66
10	1	.40	.91	.32	1.43
Totals	87	86.38		86.35	

Table 1.3G<sub>3</sub> Grouped Frequency Data for Grouping G<sub>3</sub>

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is LNGDSET3.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	6	3.13	2.63	3.20	2.46
2	5	7.28	.71	6.74	.45
3	8	10.80	.72	10.04	.42
4	15	12.16	.66	11.77	.89
5	12	11.56	.02	11.69	.01
6	11	9.90	.12	10.36	.04
7	10	7.95	.53	8.49	.27
8	0	6.14	6.14	6.59	6.59
9	5	4.63	.03	4.93	.00
10	5	3.44	.71	3.59	.55
11	3	2.53	.09	2.57	.07
12	1	1.85	.39	1.82	.37
13	3	1.35	2.02	1.28	2.32
14	1	.98	.00	.89	.01
15	1	.71	.11	.62	.23
16	0	.52	.52	.43	.43
17	0	.38	.38	.30	.30
18	0	.27	.27	.21	.21
19	0	.20	.20	.14	.14
20	1	.14	5.11	.10	8.34
Totals	87	85.93		85.74	

Table 1.3G<sub>4</sub> Grouped Frequency Data for Grouping G<sub>4</sub>

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is LNGDSET4.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	2	1.84	.01	2.08	.00
2	9	8.91	.00	8.55	.02
3	15	16.12	.08	15.46	.01
4	20	17.39	.39	17.35	.40
5	13	14.32	.12	14.76	.21
6	8	10.23	.48	10.70	.68
7	7	6.78	.01	7.06	.00
8	6	4.33	.65	4.41	.57
9	3	2.70	.03	2.67	.04
10	2	1.67	.06	1.59	.10
11	1	1.03	.00	.94	.00
12	0	.63	.63	.55	.55
13	0	.39	.39	.32	.32
14	1	.24	2.47	.19	3.56
Totals	87	86.57		86.62	

Table 1.3G<sub>5</sub> Grouped Frequency Data for Grouping G<sub>5</sub>

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is LNGDSETS.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	6	3.98	1.02	4.05	.93
2	8	12.24	1.47	11.76	1.20
3	20	17.51	.35	17.16	.47
4	17	16.70	.01	16.88	.00
5	16	12.82	.79	13.23	.58
6	4	8.78	2.60	9.09	2.85
7	6	5.66	.02	5.80	.01
8	4	3.53	.06	3.54	.06
9	3	2.16	.32	2.11	.38
10	1	1.31	.07	1.24	.05
11	1	.79	.05	.72	.11
12	0	.48	.48	.42	.42
13	0	.29	.29	.24	.24
14	1	.17	3.94	.14	5.33
Totals	87	86.43		86.38	

Table 1.4G<sub>1</sub> Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates for Grouping G<sub>1</sub>

```
Input file is LNGDSET1.DAT
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .315619E+003
      b = .762429E+002
Beta = .436916E+000
*****
Input file is LNGDSET1.DAT
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .348179E+003
      b = .134030E+003
Beta = .100000E+001
*****
```

Table 1.4G<sub>2</sub> Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates for Grouping G<sub>2</sub>

```
Input file is LNGDSET2.DAT
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .336618E+003
      b = .116041E+003
Beta = .759879E+000
*****
Input file is LNGDSET2.DAT
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .346930E+003
      b = .138075E+003
Beta = .100000E+001
*****
```

Table 1.4G<sub>3</sub> Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates for Grouping G<sub>3</sub>

```
Input file is LNGDSET3.DAT
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .331387E+003
      = .102870E+003
Beta   = .661333E+000
*****
Input file is LNGDSET3.DAT
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .346724E+003
      = .134135E+003
Beta   = .100000E+001
*****
```

Table 1.4G<sub>4</sub> Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates for Grouping G<sub>4</sub>

```
Input file is LNGDSET4.DAT
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .339635E+003
      = .116049E+003
Beta   = .762044E+000
*****
Input file is LNGDSET4.DAT
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .349790E+003
      = .137783E+003
Beta   = .100000E+001
*****
```

Table 1.4G5 Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates for Grouping G5

```

Input file is LNGDSETS.DAT
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .336333E+003
b = .118707E+003
Beta = .805587E+000
*****


Input file is LNGDSETS.DAT
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .344157E+003
b = .135811E+003
Beta = .100000E+001
*****
```

Table 2.1 Annual Maxima of Rainfall (in Inch) in 24 Hours at Camden Square, London,  
1860-1948

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is GLDSET2.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	4	3.58	.05	3.86	.00
2	18	19.31	.09	18.34	.01
3	24	25.08	.05	25.07	.05
4	24	18.43	1.68	19.21	1.19
5	10	10.29	.06	11.26	.14
6	4	5.27	.54	5.82	.57
7	2	2.97	.32	2.84	.25
8	0	1.51	1.51	1.35	1.35
9	0	.76	.76	.63	.63
10	2	.38	6.79	.30	9.82
11	0	.19	.19	.14	.14
12	1	.10	8.37	.06	13.69
Totals	89	88.87		88.89	

Table 2.2 Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates

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Input file is gldset2.dat
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

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Lambda = .107845E+001
      b = .272609E+000
Beta = .749054E+000
*****

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Input file is gldset2.dat
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

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Lambda = .110330E+001
      b = .325831E+000
Beta = .100000E+001
*****

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Table 3.1 Greatest Ages of Men

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
Data file is GLDSET1.DAT

v	f(abs)	3 Para Estimate		2 Para Estimate	
		f(cal)	X**2	f(cal)	X**2
1	1	1.56	.20	1.37	.10
2	8	5.57	1.06	5.94	.71
3	9	9.80	.06	10.38	.18
4	9	10.93	.34	10.93	.34
5	10	9.12	.09	8.69	.20
6	5	6.31	.27	5.90	.14
7	2	3.88	.91	3.67	.76
8	7	2.21	10.41	2.18	10.70
9	1	1.20	.03	1.25	.05
Totals	52	50.57		50.31	

Table 3.2 Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates

Input file is GLDSET1.DAT  
 This is a 3 parameter fit  
 \*\*\*\*=  
 THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .988081E+002  
 b = .224240E+001  
 Beta = .156860E+001  
 \*\*\*\*=

Input file is GLDSET1.DAT  
 This is a 2 parameter fit  
 \*\*\*\*=  
 THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .986214E+002  
 b = .171052E+001  
 Beta = .100000E+001  
 \*\*\*\*=

Table 4.1 Greatest Ensemble Ages

GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS  
 Data file is GLDSET3.DAT

v	3 Para Estimate			2 Para Estimate	
	f(obs)	f(cal)	x**2	f(cal)	x**2
1	1	1.99	.49	1.20	.03
2	11	7.39	1.77	8.12	1.02
3	15	15.56	.02	18.31	.60
4	18	21.27	.50	22.29	.83
5	22	20.93	.05	19.23	.40
6	15	16.04	.07	13.69	.12
7	10	10.16	.00	8.76	.18
8	8	5.57	1.06	5.28	1.41
9	3	2.73	.03	3.07	.00
10	0	1.23	1.23	1.76	1.76
11	1	.52	.44	.99	.00
Totals	104	103.39		102.70	

Table 4.2 Three- and Two-Parameter Estimates

```
Input file is GLDSET3.DAT
This is a 3 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .393298E+001
      b = .366330E+001
Beta = .389615E+001
*****
Input file is GLDSET3.DAT
This is a 2 parameter fit
*****
THE FINAL VALUES

Lambda = .347478E+001
      b = .171638E+001
Beta = .100000E+001
*****
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X. PROGRAM LISTING

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C      Research Directorate, ADEC, USA MICOM
C      Dr. C E Hall, Jr.
C      1 Sept 1988
C      mod 4 Jan 89

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XC(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAR
COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT, NTOT, ALPHA, J20R3

CHARACTER*30 FILENAME
CHARACTER*75 COMMENT

C      Send standard output to the printer
OPEN(7, FILE = 'PAN')

C      Open input file
CALL HISTORD(FILENAME, DELTAA)
C      Output the results both to the screen and to the output file
WRITE(7,*) ' Input file is ', FILENAME
C      I/O for a two or three parameter fit
WRITE(*,'(A\')') ' Enter desired parameter fit, 2 or 3'
READ(*,*) J20R3
WRITE(7,'(A,I2,A)') ' This is a ',J20R3, ' parameter fit'
C      Calculate XBAR
CALL CALXBAR

IF (J20R3.EQ.3) THEN
C      Calculate the roots of g(.) and h(.)
IERR = 0
CALL ROOTG(XROOT,YROOT,IERR)
IF (IERR.NE.0) GOTO 900

C      Calculate the value of b
TEMP1 = DLOG(YROOT) - PSI(YROOT)
TEMP2 = XBAR - XROOT
BVAL = TEMP2 / TEMP1
RLAM = XROOT - DSHIFT
ELSE
C      Scale BVAL to match H00TH routine
IF (XC(NCL).GT.70.D0) THEN
    ALPHA = XC(NCL) / 70.D0
ELSE
    ALPHA = 1.0D0
ENDIF

C      Solve for BVAL, via H00TH
CALL H00TH(X,BVAL,IERR)
IF (IERR.NE.0) GOTO 900

C      Calculate RLAM and set BETA (YROOT)
BVAL = BVAL * ALPHA
SUM1 = 0.D0
DO 100 ICNT = 1, NCL
    SUM1 = SUM1 + FREL(ICNT) * DEXP(XC(ICNT)/BVAL)
CONTINUE
100

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      RLAM = (-1.00) * BVAL * DLOG(SUM1) - DSHIFT
      YROOT = 1.00
      ENDIF

C     Write values to the screen
      WRITE(7,*) ' ****'
      WRITE(7,*) ' THE FINAL VALUES '
      WRITE(7,*) ' '
      WRITE(7,'( '' Lambda = '' , E15.6E3 )') RLAM
      WRITE(7,'( '' b = '' , E15.6E3 )') BVAL
      WRITE(7,'( '' Beta = '' , E15.6E3 )') YROOT
      WRITE(7,*) ' ****'

      GOTO 999

C     ERROR
900    CALL ERAMESS(IERR)

999    CLOSE(7)
      END

C ****
C     This subroutine reads histogram data and calculates relative freq
SUBROUTINE HISTORD(FILENAME,DELTAAC)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XCL(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAR
COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT,NTOT,ALPHA,J20A3

DIMENSION IFAB(120)

CHARACTER*30 FILENAME

      WRITE(*,'(A)') ' Enter the input file name -'
      READ(*,'(A)') FILENAME
      OPEN(8,FILE=FILENAME,STATUS='OLD')

C     Read absolute frequencies
      READ(8,'(A)') COMMENT
      READ(8,*) A, DELTAAC
      READ(8,*) NUMCLASS
      READ(8,*) (IFAB(ICNT),ICNT=1,NUMCLASS)
      NCL = NUMCLASS

      NTOT = 0
      DO 100 JCNT = 1, NUMCLASS
          NTOT = NTOT + IFAB(JCNT)
100    CONTINUE

      DO 200 JCNT = 1, NUMCLASS
          FREL(JCNT) = DBLE(IFAB(JCNT)) / DBLE(NTOT)
200    CONTINUE

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C      Calculate the XC
      DSHIFT = ((- DELTAA) / 2.000) - A
      DO 300 JCNT=1,NUMCLASS
           XC(JCNT) = DBLE(JCNT-1) * DELTAA
300    CONTINUE

      RETURN
      END

C ****
C *      ERMESST writes error messages to the terminal
C ****

SUBROUTINE ERMESST( IERR)

      IF ( IERR.EQ.0) GOTO 500

      WRITE(*,*) ' TERMINAL ERROR!!!'

      IF ( IERR.EQ.1) THEN
          WRITE(*,*) ' No zerocrossing found for W0'
      ELSEIF ( IERR.EQ.2) THEN
          WRITE(*,*) ' Root of h not bracketted'
      ELSEIF ( IERR.EQ.3) THEN
          WRITE(*,*) ' h does not converge to a zero'
      ELSEIF ( IERR.EQ.4) THEN
          WRITE(*,*) ' g-h root intersection not found'
      ENDIF

500    RETURN
      END

C ****
C *      GFUNC(X,BETA) Calculates the derivative g(c,beta)
C *      1 Sept 88
C *      mod 2 Dec 88
C *      Res. Dir., C. E. Hall, Jr.
C ****

FUNCTION GFUNC(X,BETA)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHOL(225),XC(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAR
COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT, NTOT, ALPHA, J20R3

XSHIFT = X
CALL SUMAB(XSHIFT,BETA)
SBETA = DLOG(BETA) - PSI(BETA)

GFUNC = (DBLE(NTOT)*XBAR-SUMB)*BETA*SBETA -
- (DBLE(NTOT)*XBAR - DBLE(NTOT)*XSHIFT)

      RETURN
      END

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C ****
C *      HFUNC(BETA) Calculates the derivative h(c,beta)
C *      1 Sept 88
C *      13 Oct 88 mod for three function root finding
C *      Res. Dir., C. E. Hall, Jr.
C ****

FUNCTION HFUNC(X,BETA)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XC(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAR
COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT, NTOT, ALPHA, J20R3

XSHIFT = X

IF (J20R3.EQ.3) THEN
    SBETA = DLOG(BETA) - PSI(BETA)
    YLOG = SBETA / (XSHIFT - XBAR)

    SUM = 0.D0
    DO 100 JCNT=1,NCL
        SUM = SUM+FREL(JCNT)*DEXP(YLOG*(XC(JCNT)-XC(1)))
100   CONTINUE

    HFUNC = DEXP(YLOG*(XSHIFT-XC(1))) - SUM

ELSEIF (J20R3.EQ.2) THEN
    BVAL = BETA * ALPHA
    TEMP1 = 0.D0
    TEMP2 = 0.D0

    DO 200 JCNT = 1,NCL
        TERM = FREL(JCNT) / DEXP(XC(JCNT)/BVAL)
        TEMP1 = TEMP1 + TERM
        TEMP2 = TEMP2 + TERM * XC(JCNT)
200   CONTINUE

    HFUNC = XBAR - BVAL - TEMP2 / TEMP1
ENDIF

RETURN
END

C ****
C *      SUMAB(X,BETA) Calculates the series sums A and B
C *      1 Sept 88
C *      Res. Dir., C. E. Hall, Jr.
C ****

SUBROUTINE SUMAB(X,BETA)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

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COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XC(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAR
COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT, NTOT, ALPHA, J20R3

XSHIFT = X
SBETA = DLOG(BETA) - PSI(BETA)
SUMA = 0.00
SUMB = 0.00

DO 410 J = 1,NCL

      SUMA = SUMA + DBLE(NTOT)*FREL(J) * DEXP( ( XSHIFT - XC(J) )
-          ( XBAR - XSHIFT ) ) * SBETA )

      SUMB = SUMB + DBLE(NTOT)*FREL(J) * XC(J) * DEXP(
-          ( XSHIFT - XC(J) ) / ( XBAR - XSHIFT ) ) * SBETA )

410 CONTINUE

RETURN
END

C *****
C PSI2 CALCULATES VALUE OF PSI FUNTION FOR GIVEN ARGUMENT
C *****
FUNCTION PSI(YTX)
IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION(A-H,O-Z)
DATA U,T1,T2,T3,T4,T5/100,1200,1000,2100,2000,1100/
H=0.00

XTX = YTX

      goto 200

100   R=R+U/XTX
      XTX=XTX+U
200   IF (XTX.LE.2D1) goto 100

      Q=U/(XTX*XTX)
      PSI=Q*(Q*(-Q/T5+U/T4)-U/T3)+U/T2)
      PSI=DLOG(XTX)-R-U/(200*XTX)+(PSI-U)*Q/T1
      RETURN
END

***** SUBROUTINE SETLIM( XMIN,XCEN,XMAX,DELXPOS,DELXNEG)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT, NTOT, ALPHA, J20R3
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XC(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAH

XMIN = 0.00
XMAX = XBAR
XCEN = XMAX - 0.500 * ( XC(2)-XC(1) )

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DELXPOS = XMAX - XCEN
DELXNEG = XCEN - XMIN

RETURN
END

C ****
C *      CALXBAR( . ) calculates XBAR for the gumbel
C *      distribution
C *      2 Dec 88
C *      C E Hall, Jr, Research Directorate, HDEC, MICON
C ****

SUBROUTINE CALXBAR

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XC(225),SUMA,SUMB,XBAR
COMMON /SSS/ DSHIFT, NTOT, ALPHA, J20R3

C Calculate the moments
XBAR = 0.00
DO 100 ICNT=1,NCL
      XBAR = XBAR + FREL(ICNT) * XC(ICNT)
100 CONTINUE

RETURN
END
C ****
C *      ROOTG(XROOT,YROOT,IERR)
C *      31 Aug 88
C *      Res. Dir., C E Hall, Jr.
C ****

SUBROUTINE ROOTG(XROOT,YROOT,IERR)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

CALL RTGBRACK(XA,YA,XB,YB,IERR,I0FLAG)
IF (I0FLAG.NE.0) GOTO 100
IF (IERR.NE.0) GOTO 200

CALL SIS4RTG(XA,YA,XB,YB,XROOT,YROOT,IERR)

GOTO 200

100 XH001 = XA
     YROOT = YA

200 RETURN
END

C ****
C *      CVALUE( JCNT,DELXPOS,DELXNEG,XPOS,XNEG)
C *      This subroutine calculates the positive and negative
C *      shift values.

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C      *      31 Aug 88
C      *      Res. Dir., C. E. Hall, Jr.
C ****
C
SUBROUTINE CVALUE(JCNT,DELXPOS,DELXNEG,XPOS,XNEG,XCEN)
IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
TERM = DEXP( DBLE(JCNT) *DLOG(2.0D0) )
XPOS = XCEN + TERM * DELXPOS / ( TERM + 99.0D0 )
XNEG = XCEN - TERM * DELXNEG / ( TERM + 99.0D0 )

RETURN
END

C ****
C      *      RTGBRACK( . )
C      *      This subroutine brackets the root of the function g
C      *      31 Aug 88
C      *      Res. Dir., C. E. Hall, Jr.
C ****
C
SUBROUTINE RTGBRACK(XA,YA,XB,YB,IERR,I0FLAG)
IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

JCNT = 0
I0FLAG = 0
IRLFLG = 0
MAXJ = 30
CALL SETLIM(XMIN,XCEN,XMAX,DELXPOS,DELXNEG)
XC = XCEN

CALL ROOTH(XC,YC,IERR)
IF(IERR.NE.0) GOTO 400
ZC = GFUNC(XC,YC)
IF(ZC.EQ.0.0D0) GOTO 390

C Calculation loop
200 JCNT = JCNT + 1
CALL CVALUE(JCNT,DELXPOS,DELXNEG,XPOS,XNEG,XCEN)

C Check positive c shift
IF((IRLFLG.EQ.2).OR.(IRLFLG.EQ.3)) GOTO 225
CALL ROOTH(XPOS,YP,IERR)
IF(IERR.NE.0) THEN
    IERR = 0
    IRLFLG = IRLFLG + 2
    GOTO 225
ENDIF

ZP = GFUNC(XPOS,YP)
IF(ZP.EQ.0.0D0) GOTO 390
IF((ZP*ZC).LT.0.0D0) GOTO 350

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C      Check negative c shift
226    IF ((IRLFLG.EQ.1).OR.(IRLFLG.EQ.3)) GOTO 250
        CALL ROOTH(XNEG,YN,IERR)
        IF (IERR.NE.0) THEN
            IERR = 0
            IRLFLG = IRLFLG + 1
            GOTO 250
        ENDIF

        ZN = GFUNC(XNEG,YN)
        IF (ZN.EQ.0.00) GOTO 395
        IF ((ZN-ZC).LT.0.00) GOTO 360

250    IF ((IRLFLG.NE.3).AND.(JCNT.LT.MAXJ)) GOTO 200

        IERR = 4
        GOTO 400

C      Sign change in positive j-1,j bracket
350    XB = XPOS
        YB = YP
        JMIN1 = JCNT - 1
        CALL CVALUE(JMIN1,DELXPOS,DELXNEG,XA,XNEG,XCEN)
        CALL ROOTH(XA,YA,IERR)
        GOTO 400

C      Sign change in negative j,j-1 bracket
360    XA = XNEG
        YA = YN
        JMIN1 = JCNT - 1
        CALL CVALUE(JMIN1,DELXPOS,DELXNEG,XPOS,XB,XCEN)
        CALL ROOTH(XB,YB,IERR)
        GOTO 400

C      Zero found
390    I0FLAG = 1
        XA = XPOS
        YA = YP
        GOTO 400

C      Zero found
395    I0FLAG = 1
        XA = XNEG
        YA = YN

400    RETURN
END

C      *****
C      *      BIS4RTG - Bisects the interval until delta X, and
C      *      delta Y are both less than 1.0E-7
C      *      31 Aug 88
C      *      Res. Dir., C. E. Hall, Jr.
C      *****

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SUBROUTINE BIS4RTG(XA,YA,XB,YB,XM,YM,IERR)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

TOL = 1.0D-07

ZA = GFUNC(XA,YA)
ZB = GFUNC(XB,YB)

C      Bisection loop
100    XC = (XA + XB) / 2.0D0
        CALL ROOTH(XC,YC,IERR)
        IF (IERR.NE.0) GOTO 300

        ZC = GFUNC(XC,YC)
        IF (ZC.EQ.0.0D0) GOTO 250

        IF ((ZC*ZA).GT.0.0D0) THEN
            XA = XC
            YA = YC
            ZA = ZC
        ELSE
            XB = XC
            YB = YC
            ZB = ZC
        ENDIF

        DELTAX = DABS(XB-XA)
        DELTAY = DABS(YB-YA)

        IF( (DELTAX.GE.TOL) .OR. (DELTAY.GE.TOL) ) GOTO 100

        XM = (XA + XB) / 2.0D0
        YM = (YA + YB) / 2.0D0
        GOTO 300

C      Exact zero found
250    XM = XC
        YM = YC

300    RETURN
END

C      **** RTHBRACK - Root H Bracketing Subroutine ****
C      * This subroutine brackets the root of only the H function
C      * 31 Aug 88
C      * Res. Dir., Dr. C. E. Hall, Jr.
C      **** **** **** **** **** **** **** **** **** ****
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SUBROUTINE RTHBRACK(XV,YA,ZA,YB,ZB,IERR)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

C Set starting parameters

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Y0 = 0.1D0
DUPFAC = 1.618D0
MAXITER = 19
IERA = 0

C      Set initial values
YA = Y0
ZA = HFUNC(XV,YA)
ITER = 0

C      Evaluation loop
100    ITER = ITER + 1
YB = YA * DUPFAC
ZB = HFUNC(XV,YB)

IF (ZB.EQ.0.0D0) GOTO 150
IF ((ZA*ZB).LT.0.0D0) GOTO 150

YA = YB
ZA = ZB

IF (ITER.LT.MAXITER) GOTO 100

C      MAXITER exceeded set error flag
IERA = 4

150    RETURN
END

C      ****
C      *      Rooth - Finds the root of h
C      *      31 Aug 88
C      *      Res. Dir., Dr. C. E. Hall, Jr.
C      ****

SUBROUTINE RROOTH(XV,YROOT,IERA)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)

CALL RTHBRACK(XV,YA,ZA,YB,ZB,IERA)
IF (IERA.NE.0) GOTO 200
CALL BROOT(XV,YA,ZA,YB,ZB,YROOT,IERA)

200    RETURN
END

*-----
SUBROUTINE BROOT(XV,YA,ZA,YB,ZB,YROOT,IERA)
IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (P-Z)

DOUBLE PRECISION EPSI,HFUNC
PARAMETER (MAXIT=100,EPSI=3.D-8)
ZC=ZB
DO S10 NIT=1,MAXIT
IF (ZB*ZC.GT.0D0) THEN

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YC=YA
ZC=ZA
YD=YB-YA
YE=YD
ENDIF
IF(DABS( ZC ) .LT. DABS( ZB )) THEN
  YA=YB
  YB=YC
  YC=YA
  ZA=ZB
  ZB=ZC
  ZC=ZA
ENDIF
TOL1=2.D0*EPSI*DABS( YB )+.5D0*EPSI
YM=.5D0*( YC-YB )
IF ( DABS( YM ) .LE. TOL1 .OR. ZB .EQ. 0D0 ) THEN
  YROOT=YB
  RETURN
ENDIF
IF(DABS( YE ) .GE. TOL1 .AND. DABS( ZA ) .GT. DABS( ZB )) THEN
  S=ZB/ZA
  IF( YA.EQ. YC ) THEN
    T=2D0*YM*S
    Q=1D0-S
  ELSE
    Q=ZA/ZC
    R=ZB/ZC
    T=S*( 2D0*YM*Q*( Q-R )-( YB-YA)*( R-1.D0 ) )
    Q=( Q-1.D0)*( R-1.D0)*( S-1.D0 )
  ENDIF
  IF( T.GT.0.D0 ) Q=-Q
  T=DABS( T )
  Y3=3D0*YM*Q-DABS( TOL1*Q )
  IF( 2.D0*T.LT.DMIN1( Y3 , DABS( YE*Q ) ) ) THEN
    YE=YD
    YD=T/Q
  ELSE
    YD=YM
    YE=YD
  ENDIF
  ELSE
    YD=YM
    YE=YD
  ENDIF
  YA=YB
  ZA=ZB
  IF( DABS( YD ) .GT. TOL1 ) THEN
    YB=YB+YD
  ELSE
    YB=YB+DSIGN( TOL1 , YM )
  ENDIF
  ZB=HFUNC( XV , YB )
510 CONTINUE
IERR=5
RETURN
END

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C **** This program calculates the gumbel pdf from the
C *      gumbel parameters
C *      powell's method.
C *      Dr. C. E. Hall, Jr.
C *      Res. Dir., RDEC, MICOM
C *      17 Oct 1988
C *      mod 5 Dec 1988
C ****

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
CHARACTER*30 FILENAME

COMMON /GGG/ NCL, FREL(225), RHO(225), XC(225)
COMMON /SSS/ XSHIFT, NTOT, J20R3

OPEN(2,FILE='PRN')

WRITE(*,*) ' 3 Parameters'
WRITE(*,'(A\)' ) ' Enter the Lambda-'
READ(*,*) RLAM0

WRITE(*,'(A\)' ) ' Enter b-'
READ(*,*) SIGMA0

WRITE(*,'(A\)' ) ' Enter Beta-'
READ(*,*) RMU0

WRITE(*,*) ' 2 Parameters'
WRITE(*,'(A\)' ) ' Enter the Lambda-'
READ(*,*) RLAM1

WRITE(*,'(A\)' ) ' Enter b-'
READ(*,*) SIGMA1

RMU1 = 1.D0

C Set parameter for unshift XC's
J20R3 = 2
XSHIFT = 0.D0

CALL HISTORD(FILENAME,DELTAAC)

C WRITE HEADER TO PRINTER
WRITE(2,*)
         GUMBEL DISTRIBUTION CALCULATIONS'
WRITE(2,'(A,1X,A)' )
         Data file is ',FILENAME
WRITE(2,'(1X)')
WRITE(2,900)
900  FORMAT (1X,30X,'3 Para Estimate',7X,' 2 Para Estimate')
WRITE(2,910)
910  FORMAT (13X,1Hv,5X,6Hf(abs),5X,6Hf(cal),6X,4HX**2,6X,
           -       6Hf(cal),6X,4HX**2)
ISY1 = 0
SY2 = 0.D0
SY3 = 0.D0

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DO 500 ICNT=1,NCL

      Y1 = DBLE(NTOT) * FREL(ICNT)
      Y2 = DBLE(NTOT)*PDF(XC(ICNT),RLAM0,SIGMA0,RMU0)*DELTAA
      Y3 = DBLE(NTOT)*PDF(XC(ICNT),RLAM1,SIGMA1,RMU1)*DELTAA
      SY2 = SY2 + Y2
      SY3 = SY3 + Y3
      DEL1 = (Y1 - Y2) * (Y1 - Y2) / Y2
      DEL2 = (Y1 - Y3) * (Y1 - Y3) / Y3
      IY1 = NINT(Y1)
      ISY1 = ISY1 + IY1
      WRITE(?,901) ICNT, IY1,Y2,DEL1,Y3,DEL2
901    FORMAT (12X,I3,7X,I3,1X,4(5X,F6.2))

500    CONTINUE

      WRITE (?,902) ISY1,SY2,SY3
902    FORMAT(12X,'Totals'4X,I3,6X,F6.2,16X,F6.2)
      WRITE(?, '(1H1)')
      CLOSE(?)
      END

C ****
C This subroutine reads histogram data and calculates relative freq
SUBROUTINE HISTORD(FILENAME,DELTAA)

IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
COMMON /GGG/ NCL,FREL(225),RHO(225),XC(225)
COMMON /SSS/ XSHIFT, NTOT, J20A3
DIMENSION IFAB(120)

CHARACTER*30 FILENAME

      WRITE(*,'(A\')') ' Enter the input file name -'
      READ(*,'(A')') FILENAME
      OPEN(8, FILE = FILENAME, STATUS = 'OLD')

C Read absolute frequencies
      READ(8,'(A')') COMMENT
      READ(8,*) A, DELTAA
      READ(8,*) NUMCLASS
      READ(8,*) (IFAB(ICNT),ICNT=1,NUMCLASS)
      NCL = NUMCLASS

      NTOT = 0
      DO 100 JCNT = 1, NUMCLASS
          NTOT = NTOT + IFAB(JCNT)
100    CONTINUE

      DO 200 JCNT = 1, NUMCLASS
          FREL(JCNT) = DBLE(IFAB(JCNT)) / DBLE(NTOT)
200    CONTINUE

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C      Calculate the XC
IF (J20R3.EQ.2) THEN
    XSHIFT = (-1.00) * XSHIFT
    DO 250 ICNT = 1, NUMCLASS
        XC(ICNT)=A+(DBLE(ICNT)-0.500)*DELTAA+XSHIFT
250    CONTINUE
ELSE
    XSHIFT = (( - DELTAA)/ 2.000) - A
    DO 300 JCNT=1,NUMCLASS
        XC(JCNT) = DBLE(JCNT-1) * DELTAA
300    CONTINUE
ENDIF

RETURN
END

C *****
C *      The Gumbel Probability Density function
C *****

FUNCTION PDF(X,RLAMDA,BB,BETA)
IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (A-H,O-Z)
XI = (X - RLAMDA ) / BB
F1 = BETA * DLOG(BETA) - DLOG(BB) - GALOG(BETA)
F2 = BETA * ( DEXP( -1.00 * XI ) + XI )
PDF = DEXP( F1 - F2 )

RETURN
END

C *****
C *      LN GAMMA
C *****
FUNCTION GALOG(QTEMP)
IMPLICIT DOUBLE PRECISION (G,Q-Z)
PARAMETER (U=1.00,XMLIM=14.00)
GALOG = 999.9999
110 IF( QTEMP.EQ.0.00) RETURN
X = QTEMP
XMLU=U
XMUL = XMUL * X
X = X + U
IF( X.LT.XMLIM) GOTO 110
Q = X * X
Y=(U/21.00+((-1.00)/28.00+5.00/(99.00*Q))/Q)/Q
Y=(5.00+(U/(-6.00)+Y)/Q)/(60.00*X)-X*(U-DLOG(X))
GALOG=Y+DLOG(DSQRT(8.00*DATAN(U)/X))-DLOG(XMUL)
RETURN
END

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